

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CRM-M-7943-2024
Date of decision: 16.04.2024

PARKASH KAUR ALIAS PASHI

...PETITIONER

V/s

STATE OF PUNJAB

...RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Kuldip Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anup Singh, AAG, Punjab.

SUMEET GOEL, J.

1. Present petition has been filed under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail to the petitioner in case bearing FIR No.8 dated 07.01.2024, registered for the offences punishable under Sections 363, 366-A of IPC at Police Station Dharamkot, District Moga.
2. On 19.03.2024, the following order was passed:-

“Apprehending her arrest in FIR No. 8 dated 07.01.2024 registered for offences punishable under Sections 363,366-A IPC at Police Station Dharamkot, District Moga; the petitioner has preferred this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. seeking pre-arrest bail.
Inter alia contends that the petitioner is a young lady aged about 21 years; no specific clear role has been attributed to the petitioner & the petitioner is willing to join investigation and cooperate therein. The petitioner is directed to appear before the Investigating Officer on 23.03.2024 at 11:00 A.M. in concerned Police Station and join investigation. In the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on interim bail subject to her furnishing personal/surety bond(s) to the satisfaction of the Arresting Officer/Investigating Officer. As and when further called by Investigating Officer, the petitioner shall join the investigation. She shall abide by the condition(s) enumerated under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.
Adjourned to 16.04.2024.”

3. Learned State counsel, on instructions from HC Kulwant Singh, has stated that pursuant to the order dated 19.03.2024, the petitioner has joined investigation and is no longer required for custodial interrogation.
4. In view of above, the present petition is allowed and interim order dated 19.03.2024 passed by this Court is made absolute, subject to the conditions as enumerated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.
5. This order should not be treated as “blanket” order. It will not be read granting petitioner indefinite protection from arrest. It shall be confined to the FIR mentioned *ibid* and will not operate in respect of any other incident that involves commission of an offence.
6. Liberty is reserved in favour of State/complainant to move for cancellation/recall of this order in case the petitioner violates any condition stipulated under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C., 1973 or upon showing any other sufficient cause.
7. Needless to say that anything observed herein above shall not be construed to be an opinion on the merits of the case.
8. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed off.

(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

April 16, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No